

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 483

By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Christine Gregory Bowers, 2007 Valedictorian of Zion Christian Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Christine Gregory Bowers is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2007 graduating class at Zion Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Christine Bowers has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Christine has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average, been named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, she serves as President of both the National Honor Society and the Science National Honor Society, and; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Christine has received the Bausch and Lomb Science Scholarship, the Tennessee HOPE Scholarship, the TTU Vice President's Scholarship, and the Principal's Award; and

WHEREAS, Zion Christian Academy's Homecoming Queen and an active participant in numerous school clubs and organizations, Christine Bowers is a member of the Women's Bible Study, Captain's Bible Study, Pilot Program, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the varsity basketball, softball, and volleyball teams; and

WHEREAS, a recognized leader among her peers and a member of Youth Leadership Maury, Christine has participated in the Adopt-a-Highway program and worked as a Red Cross

Blood Drive volunteer at her school, in addition to serving on the Student Council, as a Class Chaplain, and as Secretary and Vice President of the Student Body; and

WHEREAS, a gracious young lady who participates with the Angel Tree Project and volunteers to help others, Christine Bowers has served as a children's reading mentor, as a children's science camp aide, and as a children's softball camp aide, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bowers's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as she continues her education at Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, Christine's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Dr. Gregory Richard Bowers and Janet Wylie Bowers, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Christine Bowers's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2007 Zion Christian Academy Valedictorian, Christine Gregory Bowers, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.